

Student Success Calendar Spring 2016

May

Library Workshops

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Blackboard Orientation

When: Wednesday May 11th, 2016 from 3:00PM to 4:00PM

Where: D2430J

Contact: Douglas Johnson 708.235.7698

Description: Confused about how to use Blackboard to complete course work? Have questions about the Discussion Board? Not sure how to submit an assignment? This orientation will give a better understanding of how to use Blackboard and whom to contact if you have questions.

Writing Responses, Reflections, Essays, and Strong Discussion Board Posts

When: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Boost the power of your more “informal” class writing with this workshop. Discussions of the resources available, plans for approaching the writing, and ways to power them up will lead to making your contributions really count.

Blackboard Orientation

When: Wednesday May 18th, 2016 from 3:00PM to 4:00PM

Where: D2430J

Contact: Douglas Johnson 708.235.7698

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Blackboard Orientation

When: Thursday May 19th, 2016 from 3:00PM to 4:00PM

Where: D2430J

Contact: Douglas Johnson 708.235.7698

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The Research Paper: Getting Started: APA Series Workshop 1

When: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Required: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Make a plan and make the grade! This workshop will show you how to find the resources that you need to write an almost stress-free research paper. Included will be discussions of analyzing the assignment to make certain your paper is on target; APA documentation styles and where to find the templates and

information that make it so much easier; and the importance of developing a focus statement to make organizing the paper a snap.

Study Skills with Patrick

When: Tuesday May 31st from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: Patrick McGlynn at pmcglynn@student.govst.edu

Description: A workshop on study skills and test taking strategies. This workshop is helpful to those preparing for multiple choice and standardized exams. Please register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y6ML8GW> to reserve a seat.

Mastering APA Documentation Style: APA Series Workshop 2

When: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

From templates to make formatting a snap, crediting sources in your paper, to following rules about contractions, this workshop will help you navigate APA formatting and style. If APA makes you nervous, come to this workshop!

June

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The Research Paper: How to Use Your Sources without Plagiarizing: Paraphrasing without Pain: APA Series Workshop 3

When: Tuesday, June 7, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Paraphrase your sources so that you don't plagiarize, as well as show you how to credit each source properly. Included will be discussion of plagiarism and ways to make absolutely certain that you avoid it, and the easiest way to properly format your Reference Page.

Campus Resources

When: Tuesday, June 14th from 12:30PM—1:30PM & Thursday, June 30th from 6:00PM—7:00PM

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Come and see the free services that GSU has to offer to help you be successful in your academic career.

The Research Paper: Finishing Touches: APA Series Workshop 4

When: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Almost finished with your research paper, but not quite? This workshop will show you what to look for to make certain that you submit a winning paper; an editing checklist to show you what to look for and resources to provide knowledgeable revision suggestions will be offered.

Building on Strengths and Weaknesses

When: Thursday, June 16th from 6:00PM—7:00PM & Tuesday, June 28th from 12:30PM—1:30PM

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: How are you doing in your courses? Do you struggle? What seems to be working and not working? Let's talk about how we can change weaknesses into strengths!

Save My Semester

When: Tuesday, June 21st from 12:30PM—1:30PM & from 6:00PM—7:00PM

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Save My Semester is designed to assist GSU students who may not meet his or her academic goals by midterm. The workshop focuses on helping students' self-identify distractions and challenges, develop an action plan to get back on track, set goals, and learn about GSU policies. Students will be provided with additional resources to help achieve their newly created goals. Please email to reserve a seat.

Registration: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SMSSUMMER2016>

Finding your Focus

When: Tuesday, June 21, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Finding exactly what you want to write about and understanding why you want to write about are both important. Putting that information into writing is a key part of a successful piece of writing. In this session, we will discuss arriving at and writing a focus statement.

Save My Semester

When: Thursday, June 23rd from 3:15PM—4:15PM & from 6:00PM—7:00PM

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

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Organizing your Writing

When: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Shaping your writing in a way that is easy for the reader to follow will make your writing more effective. This workshop will help you determine where your own writing might “go off the path” and guide you toward organizing your work in the best manner possible.

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Supporting your Ideas

When: Tuesday, July 5, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Giving your reader enough information to understand and believe what you are saying is very important. This workshop will discuss the elements of successful writing: giving definitions of specialized language, providing examples that make a point, and perhaps even relying on outside sources to support what your work.

Style and Mechanics

When: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

One of the ways that readers determine that a writer is “reliable” and “educated” is grammatically correct writing. This workshop will provide methods for proofreading your work to find and correct these kinds of errors in your writing.

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Winning Essays for Scholarships and Graduate School Admission

When: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 from 6:00 -7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Are you thinking about applying for a scholarship? Need to write an essay for admission to graduate school? Boost your chances with a winning essay. Showcase your strengths and talents so the selection committee will be certain that you are the best choice. This workshop will offer the “dos and don’ts” for writing a good essay, help you develop a plan, and provide sources for further one-on-one help during the process.

August

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When: Tuesday, August 2, 2016 from 6:00 -7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary: Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

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